

and as grounds for living history. Ms. Tolbert has been the Executive Director of this project since nineteen hundred eighty.

She took particular interest in this school because her ancestors have lived in Harford County as early as the 1700s. During her years as a student, schools, libraries, theatres, and restaurants were segregated. Here she is able to share with students of all ages the African American history unique to Harford County. Spectators are able to tour the one-room schoolhouse while learning what our fellow Americans have overcome.

This generation's students may be surprised that furthering her education seemed a mere fantasy. However, a friend, Mr. Stephen P. Moore, Jr. showed her family it was not only a reality, but an undeniable opportunity. She attended Maryland State Teachers' College in Bowie, Maryland. Upon graduation, she began work in Harford County Public School where she taught every grade level in elementary school except kindergarten and third grade. Not feeling satisfied there, her thirst for knowledge continued. She went on to obtain a Master's degree from Loyola College in guidance and counseling.

Next, she served as a guidance counselor at Aberdeen High School where she developed Harford School's first Black Heritage Club. She didn't stop there; she also worked with others to form Black Youth in Action. Despite the demands of her current job, Ms. Tolbert sought more for herself. Her quest for reaching students still did not seem complete. Back to school again, this time earning the requirements needed to qualify for an administration position. She served as Supervisor of Elementary and Secondary schools until she retired from the Harford County Public School system.

Retirement didn't last long; she accepted a position as a Career Counselor at Open Doors Career Center. Shortly thereafter, she spread her branches into the college world as she joined the Harford Community College team as an adjunct professor.

Ms. Tolbert has dedicated her life to educating the future leaders of our country. She has received awards from the Maryland Retired Teachers' Association, the National Retired Teachers' Association, and she's received an award for Excellence from Colin Powell's group America's Promise. She's also received Harford County's coveted historic preservation award for her book *A Journey Through Berkley Maryland* which she co-authored with Constance Beims. She's an inductee of Harford County's Educator's Hall of Fame, and she's received recognition by Governor Hughes for the time she and her husband spent as foster parents.

Mr. Speaker, as you can see from this incredible list of accomplishments Ms. Christine Tolbert is truly an asset to the educational field. Her heart has always been devoted to bettering our nation's youth. She is an advocate for kids of all ages. I have often heard her say that if you guide children in the right direction and educate them, they will be successful. I ask that you join with me today to applaud the tremendous work she has done for this community.

TRIBUTE TO RALPH C. DELL

HON. JIM DAVIS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 31, 2006

Mr. DAVIS of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise in honor of Ralph C. Dell, a prominent, greatly respected attorney whose passing is a tremendous loss to the Tampa Bay community.

Raised in St. Petersburg, Florida, Ralph graduated from the University of Florida and earned his law degree at University of Florida Law School. Ralph settled down in Tampa and soon cofounded his law practice, Allen Dell, representing clients such as Tampa General Hospital and the Atlantic Coast Line railroad.

Ralph gave all his work his very best, earning acclaim not only from his loyal clients, but also from his colleagues. In 1987, he was selected by the Hillsborough Bar Association to receive the prestigious Herbert Goldberg Award. He also served as a member of the board of governors of the Florida Bar and as a fellow in the American College of Trial Lawyers.

But Ralph will also be remembered for his involvement in his community through a number of local organizations. An active member of the First Presbyterian Church of Tampa, Ralph served as an elder and clerk of session and he taught Sunday school for nearly 60 years.

Ralph's tremendous integrity, vivacious spirit, his dedication to the legal profession and the quality of his work will always be remembered. On behalf of the Tampa Bay community, I extend my deepest sympathies to Ralph's family.

HONORING THE LIFE OF WARREN M. DORN OF MORRO BAY

HON. LOIS CAPPS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 31, 2006

Mrs. CAPPS. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Warren M. Dorn, a longtime resident of Morro Bay, California in my District, who died on January 10, 2006.

A graduate and recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award of University of California, Santa Barbara, Warren served as Mayor of Pasadena, on the Los Angeles Board of Supervisor from 1956–72, and later, as Mayor of Morro Bay. He chaired the Los Angeles Air Pollution Control District for eight years during his board tenure where he managed to have a profound impact on more than 160 laws improving our air quality. He also played key roles in the creation of the Los Angeles County Music Center and in developing airports, museums, sports areas and medical centers. He was passionate about water conservation and was instrumental in building the California Aqueduct. Throughout his time in public life, Warren Dorn was known for bipartisan efforts with all that he undertook.

This distinguished public servant also had another area of devotion: to his wife of 63 years, Phyllis, and to his three children and their families. Warren and Phyllis co-founded Morro Bay Beautiful in 1980, spending two

decades dedicated to keeping area beaches clean.

The city of Morro Bay and the state of California are forever enriched by the contributions of Warren Dorn. His friendships were many, from the famous to the not so famous. Indeed, by his life's work he was a friend to us all.

RECOGNIZING JOHN TWEEDY OF LANDLOCKED FILMS

HON. MARK UDALL

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 31, 2006

Mr. UDALL of Colorado. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Mr. John Tweedy on the success of his documentary film-making company, Landlocked Films. His work is deserving of recognition for its superb quality, emotional realism, and the depth and diversity of its subject matter. John Tweedy's Boulder-based independent documentary video company is co-owned and run in collaboration with his wife, Ms. Beret Strong.

Tweedy's films have won both national and local awards and have been screened at film festivals both in the U.S. and abroad, as well as being broadcast on over 100 Public Broadcasting System affiliates in the U.S. and Canada. Before moving to Boulder, Tweedy received his law degree from Stanford University Law School and an M.A. in Sociology from Brown University. In addition to practicing law and making films, he has worked for the court system of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands on Saipan. His films are as broad-ranging as his background and are inspiring and evocative.

"Lieweila: A Micronesia Story," is an apt example of Tweedy's ability to render a compelling history through his art. Using historical footage, old photographs, and the voice of a Refalawasch narrator, Tweedy helps an indigenous people give their history and describe their struggles with colonialism and modernization, creating an educational and inspirational film experience.

His films on the education of children include "Song of Our Children," "The Dance of Conversation: Strategies for Encouraging Children's Language Development," and "Training 3, from C to B: Age Transitions for Kids with Special Needs." John actively participates in local education, serving on the boards of Sojourner Charter School, Horizons Alternative School, and Kids Connections.

In another film, "Streams of Gold," Tweedy makes himself a subject of his own filmmaking. Traveling to southern Ecuador, Tweedy uncovers a piece of his own history by documenting the story of an Andean gold mining town in which his grandparents lived and worked for nearly 30 years. The result is a personal and informational film that has much to say about economics and the modern world.

Landlocked Films also produces videos profiling non-profit organizations, schools, and companies in a way that projects more heart than glitz. Each of the promotional videos is designed and produced as a mini-documentary, allowing the viewer to experience the organization from the inside out. Among recent promotional efforts are "Mothers Acting Up," showing this organization's actions to redefine